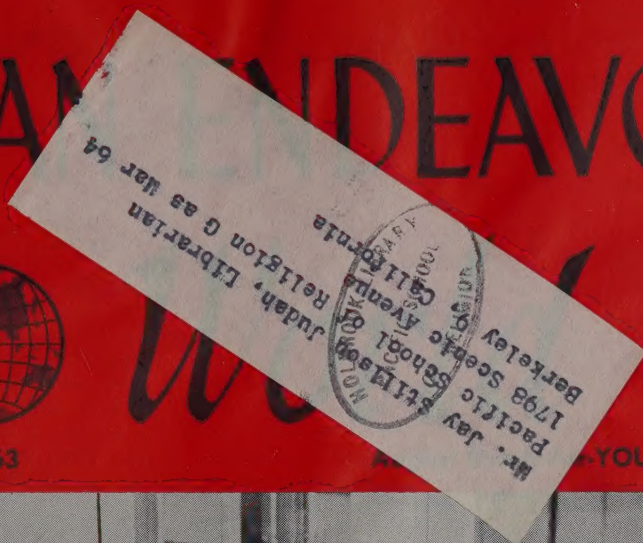


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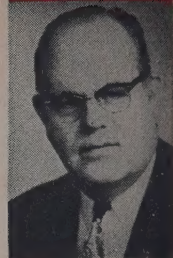
**MAYOR WELCOMES
REGON DELEGATES
TO TILLAMOOK**



A CHANGE IS COMING

BY THE GENERAL SECRETARY

Harold E. Westerhoff



In just a matter of days Christian Endeavorers from every part of Canada, Mexico, and the United States will be converging on Washington, D. C., for what promises to be an outstanding International Christian Endeavor Convention—the 47th.

Throughout the convention days there will be held some little-heralded but vitally important official meetings. Almost, as it were, behind-the-scenes, out of sight and sound of a host of the youthful delegates, will be sessions of the Finance Committee, the Executive Committee, the Board of Trustees, and the Corporation. These sessions do not embrace the glamor and romance of other convention activities, but they mean much to the life of Christian Endeavor International. Significant in the meetings of the Board of Trustees and the Corporation is the matter of electing new leadership.

On the Fourth of July there will be elected a new president of the International Society. Bishop Clyde W. Meadows, who has been mightily used

of God in the leadership of Christian Endeavor International for the past four years, will at the closing session of the convention turn over the responsibilities of the high office of president of the International Society. The constitutional limitation on the tenure of the president, set by action of the Corporation a number of years ago, is four years. Bishop Meadows came into that office in Philadelphia in 1959.

Since its beginning Christian Endeavor has been able to call only the best to its top volunteer position. Beginning with Dr. Francis E. Clark, that best continued down through Dr. Daniel A. Poling, Dr. Ernest R. Bryan, Dr. Earle W. Gates; and it continues to this day in the person of Bishop Clyde W. Meadows.

In the early years of his presidency Clyde Meadows was pastor of a mighty church, the King Street United Brethren of Chambersburg. His official board and congregation rejoiced in the unique opportunity that was theirs to extend their ministry beyond their own parish

bounds through this high office. In the latter years of his tenure his duties were multiplied many times over as he became one of the bishops of the United Brethren in Christ Church. The duties of bishop and of president complemented each other in a wonderful way, strengthening at once both areas of Bishop Meadows' ministry.

Always in the background but lending a hand in a host of ways was the "First Lady" of Christian Endeavor for the past four years, Mrs. Meadows. Hers was a ministry of sacrifice and support and encouragement.

During the convention in Washington many of you will say a personal word of thanks at a Recognition Luncheon to be given in honor of Bishop and Mrs. Meadows. For the multitudes of you who cannot be in Washington we say a loud and enthusiastic "Thank you and God bless and use you" to them. Christian Endeavor in its larger aspects is fortunate indeed that Clyde Meadows continues as president of the World's Christian Endeavor Union.

July and August Dates

Pray for these Christian Endeavor events!

July

2-6—International Convention, Washington, D.C.

Contact: International Society of Christian Endeavor

6—Michigan Convention, Washington, D.C.

Contact: Mr. Elwood Dunn, 16524 Woodward Avenue, Detroit 3

16-19—North Carolina Junior Conference, Crestmont

Contact: Mrs. B. W. McPherson, 2512 Spring Garden Street, Greensboro

22-August 21—Bible Lands and Southern Europe Tour

Contact: Mr. Harold E. Westerhoff, International Society of Christian Endeavor

August

1-4—Pennsylvania Summer Assembly, Carlisle

Contact: Mr. Gordon McMordie, 33 Bridle Path Lane, Feasterville

9-11—North Carolina Bible Conference, Crestmont

Contact: Mrs. B. W. McPherson, 2512 Spring Garden Street, Greensboro

10-17—New York Senior Summer Assembly, Lake Canandaigua

Contact: Mr. Marvin C. Sloane, 532 Helendale Road, Rochester 9
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COVER CLUES

Tillamook Mayor Thomas Bailey joins Jerald M. Savin (left), Oregon Union President, in welcoming Prineville delegates Andrew Post and Phil Mickel to this year's Oregon Convention. Over 1,000 youth participated.

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THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD

Opportunities for individuals as well as societies

earn awards for citizenship

■ The Albert H. Diebold Awards, worth \$1,500, will be given in Christian Endeavor's 1964 Citizenship Awards Program.

"This year's program has been expanded to include not only societies, but also individuals," says Rev. Christian A. Tirre, citizenship director of the International Society of Christian Endeavor.

"The 1964 program," continues Mr. Tirre, "is designed to stimulate significant Christian witnessing through Christian citizenship activities by societies and individuals in their own community. The entries in the individual category can include significant articles, editorials, talks, posters, black and white photographs, or cartoons, which provide a Christian witness to the community."

The International Society's 1964 Christian Citizenship Witness, including the Awards Program, the fight against obscene literature, and a newly-adopted program of education on the effects of teen-age smoking, is made possible through a gift from Albert H. Diebold, a Christian layman of New York City.

The individual section of the 1964 Awards Program is open to all youth in the United States or Canada who have not reached their 25th birthday by February 3, 1964. Entries must be developed, written, or released after May 31, 1963, and must be used as a Christian witness in the community by February 3, 1964, the deadline for mailing entries.

The society section is open to all Christian Endeavor societies or similar youth groups in the United States or Canada or to a combination of societies or youth groups in a local church. The majority of the members of participating societies must be under 25 years of age. Each group must sponsor and report a completed Christian citizenship activity begun after May 31, 1963. Deadline for mailing entries is also February 3, 1964.

Winners of the Albert H. Diebold Awards for 1964 will receive cash, trips, plaques, award emblems, and certificates. Winners will be announced on April 24, 1964.

The first award in the individual category will be \$150 in cash plus a grant (to a maximum of \$100) for expenses of attending the International Summer Assembly in Westerville, Ohio, July 6-11, 1964. Second award is \$125 in cash, with the third place winner receiving \$75 and the fourth position winner receiving \$50. The next five runners-up will be awarded \$25 each. The top nine winners will also receive special award emblems, with honor certificates being presented to all other qualified entrants.

The society taking top honors will receive \$200 in cash plus a grant (to a maximum of \$100) for the expenses of one or more youth representatives, who must be members of the award-winning society, to attend the International Summer Assembly. Second award is \$150 in cash. Third place award is \$100, with \$75 going to the group placing fourth. The next five runners-up will receive \$25 each. Plaques will be presented to the top nine winners, with honor certificates going to all other qualified entrants.

Entries in the individual section will be evaluated on the basis of their dynamic implementation of the folder *What Is Christian Citizenship?* and on providing a Christian witness to the community. The society entries will be evaluated on the basis of group participation, goals established or achieved, the manner in which they implement the folder, and Christian witness to the community. Areas of concern suggested in this folder are: home relationships, civic responsibilities, wholesome recreation, race relationships, narcotics, gambling, obscene literature, and observance of the Lord's Day.

At the July 4 session of the 47th International Christian Endeavor Convention in Washington, D.C., the awards for the 1963 Citizenship Awards Program will be presented. Top honors in three categories (Patriotism, Social Reform, and Community Service) go to societies from Richmond, Virginia; Columbus, Ohio; and Dallas, Texas.

Full details about the 1964 Awards Program and a copy of the folder *What Is Christian Citizenship?* may be secured by writing to the Citizenship Director, International Society of Christian Endeavor, 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 16, Ohio.

Albert H. Diebold Awards in 1964 Citizenship Awards Program include \$1,175 in cash -- two trips to International Summer Assembly -- award emblems -- plaques -- honor certificates

Keys to success:

Prayer

Purposeful planning

Parental cooperation

Publicity

Senior High Endeavorers
of First Christian Church,
Crown Point, Indiana,
pose with counselors.

Successful Society

■ Christian Endeavor is a vital program for youth at First Christian Church, Crown Point, Indiana. Three societies are active at present—Junior, Junior High, and High School.

Last fall a space-age program launched the "Endeavor" rocket for the year. All three societies participated in this countdown:

- 5—Select astronauts (elect officers)
- 4—Organize ground control (appoint committees)
- 3—Synchronize time schedule (planning conference)
- 2—Finance the launching (prepare budget)
- 1—Enlist new recruits (calling campaign)
- 0—Blast Off (banquet for all youth)

The success of the High School Society this year speaks for itself. This group of over fifty uses the six-committee plan—Devotional, Missionary, Social, Lookout, Church Activity, and Publicity. Every member has committee responsibilities. A chart in the meeting room lists committee chairmen, dates of meetings, and number present. A calendar shows the topic, leader, and other program participants for each month. Members also prepare a society newspaper.



"No amount of consecration can make up for the lack of a well-planned program," says Julian Moran, one of the society sponsors.

Planning pays off, for attendance has more than doubled. Following the weekly society meetings the members make up the choir for the evening church service. The society is proud of its six life-work recruits.

Dean S. Jacoby is minister of the church, with Beth Heckler serving as director of Christian education and Junior Society sponsor.



For a well-planned program, the Devotional Committee schedules weekly leaders three months in advance.

One of the six committees scheduling the year's program at the planning conference was the Missionary Committee.

The society is proud that seven members were named to National Honor Society at Crown Point High School.



THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD

NEWS AND VIEWS

● MELVIN BOOZER, member of the Young People's Christian Endeavor Society of Galbraith A.M.E. Zion Church, Washington, D.C., was selected as one of the four outstanding teen-agers of 1963 of the District of Columbia by the Junior Chamber of Commerce. He also is the winner of a 1963 Civitan Award and has accepted a four-year scholarship to Dartmouth.



Photos by Alice M. Oswald

WINNING BOWLERS honored April 23 at the Waterloo County Union bowling banquet in Kitchener, Ontario, are (top photo) the Waterloo Emmanuel Evangelical United Brethren kegglers, winners in league play, and (bottom) the bowlers of Roseville Evangelical United Brethren Church, who won the "A" series. Captain of the league winning team is Dwight Snider (third from left). Leader of the "A" series winners is Ken Dedman (far right), who is also union recreation superintendent.

● NEW PRESIDENT of the Youth Commission of the National Sunday-School Association is Harold E. Westerhoff, general secretary of both the International Society and the World's Christian Endeavor Union. Mr. Westerhoff was elected to this post at meetings during the annual National Association of Evangelicals Convention in Buffalo last April.

● 1963 CLERGYMAN OF THE YEAR is the title awarded to Dr. Daniel A. Poling, veteran Christian Endeavor leader, by Religious Heritage of America, Inc., during the 13th annual Washington Pilgrimage June 20-22. An engraved scroll was presented to Dr. Poling "for what he has done for more than 50 years, particularly for his great concern that American youth should be raised in the tradition of reverence for God and love of country."

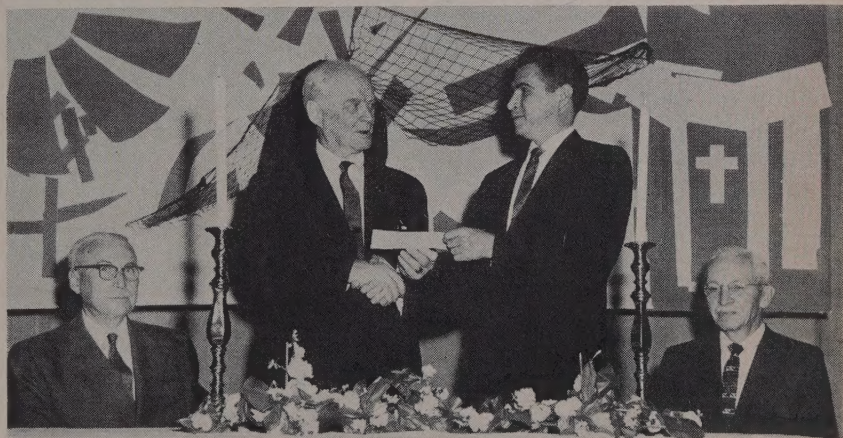
● ONTARIO JUNIORS held their annual convention May 11 at Southgate Presbyterian Church in Hamilton. Of the 240 present, 170 were Juniors. Features of the day were devotions, workshops, a banquet, Bible quiz sessions, and a closing message by Mrs. W. E. McCutcheon. Attendance and badge awards went to Queen East Presbyterian Juniors. Fourth of Bruce Endeavorers were selected as the Junior society with the best theme headbands; the Primary society winner was Calvin Presbyterian of Waterloo.

● A GIFT OF 100 copies of *The Hymnal for Youth* was presented May 5 to First Presbyterian Church of Passaic, New Jersey, by the Senior Christian Endeavor Society. The presentation was made during the morning church service by Richard Leonard Perrius, society president. Other officers are Barbara Reuter, vice-



A CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR FAMILY is that of James D. Isaac, traveling secretary of the India Christian Endeavor Union. With headquarters in Vellore, South India, Mr. Isaac journeys to all parts of the country. As he meets with Endeavorers he stresses the aims and cardinal principles of the movement and the need to present a challenge to youth to accept Christ. Pennsylvania Endeavorers, as a missionary project, give \$1,500 each year through the World's Union for the support of this field work.

president; Pamela Bradford, secretary, and Margaret Thor, treasurer. Society advisors are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wuensch. Dr. George H. Talbott is pastor.



CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PASTOR HONORED—Shown at the banquet this spring marking the fortieth anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. George H. Talbott, D.D., at First Presbyterian Church of Passaic, New Jersey, are (left to right) Dr. Allan J. Blair, finance committee chairman of the International Society of Christian Endeavor, who was co-chairman of the event; Dr. Talbott; William Blair (Dr. Blair's son), one of the first persons to be baptized by Dr. Talbott and now a church trustee; and William L. White, senior ruling elder of the church and former Christian Endeavor advisor. Mr. Blair is presenting a \$2,500 check to Dr. Talbott. Mr. White presented a Book of Memories.

Ready - for - YOUTH RESOURCES

The Planning Conference

by Mary Moffitt



The work of Christ can best be accomplished by prayerful and careful advance planning. "No amount of consecration can make up for the wastefulness of unplanned work." We are better stewards of our time, talents and energies when we do long range planning to achieve our purposes. Monthly meetings do not allow sufficient time for both deciding on activities and planning them in detail; tentative plans outlined at a planning conference, however, can be firmed up and carried to completion very easily at monthly meetings.

Be sure your society holds a planning conference at the beginning of its year's program. Here are some suggestions for conducting such a meeting:

PRELIMINARY DECISIONS—The Executive Committee (officers, committee chairmen, and counselors) should meet at least a month preceding the conference to make initial plans. This group should decide on a convenient date and place for the conference which everyone in the society should be encouraged to attend. The program schedule is also a responsibility of this group; decide what things need to be stressed during the conference and where they should appear in the schedule. Consider asking guest leaders and resource persons to participate in the conference. (Resource persons for each of the five committees are especially helpful; experienced union officers or leaders, or adults in your church who know Christian Endeavor, can best serve in this capacity.) Draw up a list of suggested goals for the coming year's work.

1. **Date:** Decision on this depends upon the local situation; constitution of the society, the organizational set-up, promotion date of the church, and elected term of office. An annual planning conference with quarterly planning sessions or semi-annual planning conferences are the two most widely used plans. Schedule your conference for the period it can be most beneficial to your society. August is perhaps the most popular month for a planning conference for several reasons: it is just before youth begin a new term in school, it is near the close of summer vacation when most families are back in town, and it is ideal from the standpoint of materials (both topic cards and *Guide for ACTION* are published for a September through August term).

2. **Place:** Again, this depends upon the local situation. A camp makes an excellent location and provides more time and seclusion for carrying on the necessary work of a planning conference. However, a home, park, or church can also provide adequate facilities.

3. **Goals:** The people who get things done are those who set their eyes on goals, plan how they can reach them, and then work their plan to completion. Include goals suggested by the International Society biennial theme in *A Vital Program for Youth* folder. Also, follow through on recommendations from your national, state, provincial or local Christian Endeavor unions. Challenge your youth by setting worthy and definite goals.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE—The success of the conference will depend in very large measure upon the diligence with which the preliminary decisions are carried out and the care with which items to complete the program schedule are selected. A well-rounded conference would include these general subjects:

1. Inspirational challenge and period of consecration for the task ahead. (Certainly both the opening and closing of the conference should be on a high spiritual plane.)

2. A statement of purpose for the planning conference as well as consideration of the aims and purposes of the Christian Endeavor society.

3. Presentation of the proposed goals for the coming year as drafted by the Executive Committee. (These could be referred to the committees for discussion and possible alteration during their planning sessions.)

4. A brief review of the past year. (Be specific; this will give you a yardstick of spiritual and numerical growth. Tell of accomplishments, activities and attendance.)

5. General discussion (or "brainstorming") from the entire membership on ideas they would like to see included in the coming term, projects to attempt, or improvements that could be made.

6. Simultaneous meetings of each committee to outline its work for the entire term of office. (Spend some time in these sessions going over the purpose and duties of the committee, past plans, and possible activities. Decide on definite plans for the coming term. Refer to the *Guide for ACTION* frequently in these sessions for helpful committee ideas which are given for each month.

7. General discussion of committee reports following the separate planning sessions is important. (Proposed committee work should be written out, read to the group, and adopted as presented or revised. Overlapping and conflicting plans could be corrected at this time, or referred to some group for action later.) The recommended goals should be voted upon at this general assembly.

8. Some type of leadership training or study period should be included if time permits.

9. Christian fellowship should abound during the entire conference, but remember your main task is to plan not play.

FOLLOW THROUGH—A Christian Endeavor Society seldom goes beyond its plans; often it does not live up to them entirely, but it is much better to have plans outlined than to just drift along doing little or nothing.

Written reports from each of the committee planning sessions should be given to the secretary after they are submitted to the society and accepted. Following the meeting these committee plans along with a brief review of the past term, adopted goals, and business transacted at the planning conference should be mimeographed and distributed to the entire membership. In addition to everyone receiving a copy of this report, several extra copies should be kept for future reference.

The president, with assistance from the counselor, should coordinate throughout the year the decisions made at the planning conference and see that they are carried out. Monthly business meetings of both the Executive Committee and the entire membership, as well as meetings of each individual committee, will insure the execution of the plans laid at the conference.

RESOURCE MATERIALS—One of the most helpful resource items available for your planning conference is the *Guide for ACTION* pamphlet published by the International Society. (Available in two editions, Junior High and Senior High-Young People, for only 20¢ a copy. Order your supply in plenty of time for all officers, committee chairmen and members.

Other resource materials are: *The Christian Endeavor World*, *Planning the Program of a Christian Endeavor Society*, *Christian Endeavor Essentials*, *What Is Christian Endeavor?*, *A Vital Program for Youth*, and *Topic Cards* (available in Junior, Junior High, and Senior High-Young People's editions).

Topic 3 in a Unit: Leading and Participating in Meetings

You're Needed Too!

I Corinthians 14:26



Suggested Program

Pre-Prayer Service
Song Service: *Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak; Now I Belong to Jesus; He Leadeth Me*
Announcements and Offering
Prayer Hymn: *Spirit of the Living God*
Sentence Prayers
Topic Presentation
Scripture Background
Application
Problems to Answer
Discussion
Closing Hymn: *I Surrender All*
Mizpah Benediction

The Leader Prepares

If you are not already a member of the lookout committee in your society, you are by reason of the fact that you are leading this meeting. A Christian Endeavorer is always a missionary—and always ready to tell the “good news” of Jesus Christ to everyone! This meeting covers more than this kind of missionary work. By means of this topic, you are to make the members of your group realize that each young person within your society has a part to contribute to the work and worship of your society.

This is an excellent time to have a meeting of this sort to remind everyone that he has a job to do. We generally think of a renewing of our energies and a coming back to the full program in the society during the weeks of late Summer and early Fall. This coincides with returning to the classroom following the Summer vacation.

The Meeting Is Publicized

“Wanted” posters such as you might see in any post office could be made with the caption, *You're Needed, Too!* at the top and the following information arranged attractively underneath:

Junior Highs, ages 12-14
Intelligent Wide-Awake Alert
No experience necessary
Salary—Guaranteed satisfaction
Apply—Junior High Christian Endeavor Meeting August 4

Make a number of these posters and display them at every possible place in your church building, at least two weeks before your meeting.

The Counselor Considers

Part of a counselor's job is to help in drawing out those young people in the society who do not ever participate in the

meetings. If your group is an average one, there will be those in your number who seemingly prefer to remain on the outside of the activities, particularly the discussion meetings. When group participation is required, some may crawl into a shell, others may act as though they are bored and cannot be bothered, and still others may respond with “Yes,” “No,” or “I don't know” answers and go no further. These are the persons who should be sought out and made to feel that their contributions to the society meetings and program are necessary and important.

This is your opportunity to work with those young people who are not active, but should be, because, as the topic states, they are *needed, too!* In your experience as against the inexperience of the society leaders, you may be able to suggest ways of dealing with certain personalities.

Your help and advice will be greatly in order if the society decides to make a survey of your Sunday school with the goal of convincing each young person of Junior High age who is not already in Christian Endeavor that “You Need Christian Endeavor—Christian Endeavor Needs You!”

I — Scripture Background

The Church at Corinth was founded by Paul on his second missionary journey. Since then, the church had become corrupt and had many problems. One of these problems had to do with a difference of opinion among the members of the church.

This city in Greece had educated men who were fond of oratory, or making speeches. When these men became Christians, they felt they were gifted to preach in the church. This “preaching” was known as “prophesying” and the preacher a “prophet.” There are two kinds of prophets. Those we most frequently think of are *foretellers* of the future. Many Old Testament prophets told of what would take place in the days to come. The others are *forthtellers* who give their message for the current time. There were also many of this kind of prophet in the Old Testament and here in Corinthians these are the ones Paul is speaking of.

Other men in the Corinthian Church felt they were gifted with *glossalalia*, or “speaking in tongues.” These men claimed to have a special gift of the

Holy Spirit and this was brought out when they spoke in words not familiar to anyone, an “unknown tongue,” I Corinthians 14:4. This language was supposedly given to them from the Lord.

In this 14th chapter of I Corinthians Paul discusses the pros and cons of both of these spiritual gifts and he seems to be telling the church that he prefers prophecy, or preaching, rather than speaking in tongues for the following reasons:

1. Speaking in tongues edifieth (builds up) only the speaker—verse 4
2. Speaking in tongues is not to men, but to God—verse 2
3. Speaking in tongues is a sign not for believers, but unbelievers—verse 22
4. Speaking in tongues is not to be done alone, but always interpreted—verses 27,28
5. Speaking in tongues leads to confusion—verse 33

Paul further argues that prophecy (preaching) will do several things for the believers in the Lord Jesus Christ: verse 3—exhort, comfort, edify verse 24—convince

Look briefly at the 12th chapter of I Corinthians and you will find Paul has listed nine spiritual gifts given to Christians:

- (verses 8-10)
1. Word of Wisdom
2. Word of Knowledge
3. Faith
4. Gifts of Healing
5. Working of Miracles
6. Prophecy
7. Discerning of Spirits
8. Divers kinds of Tongues
9. Interpretations

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Paul does not mean all these gifts are given to all Christians. He says "to one is given . . . to another . . . and to another . . ." Thus while one Christian may be able to preach, another may not be gifted with the ability to preach but instead may be given another kind of gift.

Finally in our Scripture text verse (14:26) Paul asks the Corinthians, "How is it, then? When you come together, *everyone* of you hath . . ." and he lists the possibilities of individual Christians taking part in the service. He concludes the verse by the words, "let all be done unto edifying." To edify is to "build up" so Paul is saying that whatever they had to contribute to the service should be for the whole church's benefit.

II — Application

The letters of Paul were written with a two-fold purpose. First, they were written for a specific need of the people to whom they were addressed. Secondly, they were written for all Christians of all ages who would read God's Word and try to live by what they find therein. This includes us, of course, so we should always apply the truths of God to our very own lives.

From the authority of our Scripture text verse, we are all responsible to do something when we enter a church service (or in our case, a Christian Endeavor service). If anyone feels he is definitely not equipped to stand before a group and talk, sing or play an instrument, not even capable of praying aloud, reading the Bible aloud or making announcements, can he still fulfill this obligation of making a contribution to the meeting? The answer to this, of course, is found in the fact that there are many "behind the scenes" things to do in preparing for a Christian Endeavor meeting. The matter of praying for the meeting and for each member who takes part, is surely a form of "participation" even though it is not the sort of thing we can see being accomplished.

Two important things should be pointed out at this time.

1. One of the early forms of our Christian Endeavor Pledge asks us to promise to "take some part aside from singing in every meeting."
2. One of the four Basic Principles of Christian Endeavor is "Service for Christ," which surely means active participation.

III — Problems to Answer

There will always be some particularly shy, or unusually stubborn, or just generally difficult people who will object to any kind of participation in your meetings. Discuss how you could solve the following personality problems: What would you do about —

- 1.—someone who feels self-conscious and thinks people are laughing at him when he takes part?
- 2.—someone who seems to have the attitude that doing something in a Christian Endeavor meeting is "beneath him?"
- 3.—someone who feels that he just is not capable of getting up in front of people and talking?
- 4.—someone who is new to the group and feels shy about beginning to participate?
- 5.—someone who promises to take part in the meeting, but never shows up on the night he is to take part?

The Follow-Up

A special goal for this meeting could be the beginning of a survey of your Sunday school by your society. It could be outlined as follows:

1. SUNDAY SCHOOL ROLL—With the permission of your pastor, ask to see the Sunday school roll. List all the young people of Junior High age. Omit active members of your society.
2. VISIT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES—With the permission of the Sunday school superintendent, have a member of your society make an appeal in each class of your age group for all of the young people in that class to come to Christian Endeavor. Use those of your group who are well-informed and can tell of your total program.
3. INDIVIDUAL CONTACT—(a) Divide the list suggested in section 1 among the members of either your lookout committee or members of a special committee named by your president for this purpose. This committee should be large enough so that each member does not have too large a list. The committee members should be responsible to personally contact each Sunday school member on his list, inviting all of them to Christian Endeavor meetings and explaining the slogan, "You Need Christian Endeavor—Christian Endeavor Needs You!"

(b) In your committee meeting before you do any contacting, decide just how you are going to do it. Compile a list of reasons why the slogan "You Need Christian Endeavor—Christian Endeavor Needs You," is true. Stress the fact that you want to begin your Fall program with many new enlistments from the Sunday school ranks.

(c) Rotate the lists among the committee members. As soon as one member has contacted all the people on his list, he should exchange lists with another member who has completed his.

4. A FOLLOW-UP—When you have a new person coming to your society meetings, your work is just beginning. From this point you must work on convincing that person that he is needed—needed for taking part in your meetings and society activities to contribute his abilities and special gifts to the entire program of Christian Endeavor.
5. HAVE JOBS OUTLINED—Have a specific new job for every new recruit to your group. This may be as small as passing out hymn books or Bibles before the meeting, or selecting one of the hymns used in the service, but give them something to do immediately!

A note of caution: If you encounter any objection on the part of the new member, do not "push" too hard at this time. You do not wish to drive him away. Later he, too, will see his responsibility and want to take part.

6. PUBLICITY—Write to International Christian Endeavor Headquarters, 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 16, Ohio, for the folder *What Is Christian Endeavor?* to give to new Junior Highs who are not familiar at all with your society.

7. MOST IMPORTANT OF ALL—Remember you cannot do this on your own. You must pray continually to the Lord to guide you and give you victory. This praying must be done in your committee meetings as you plan your procedure, it must be done before you attempt to talk to Sunday school classes, and it must be done individually before you make each personal contact. Prayer throughout the program will bring results. Remember also we are going forth in the Name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour.

Resource Materials

The following helpful materials can be ordered from the International Society of Christian Endeavor: *How to Lead*, 20c; *Planning the Program of a Christian Endeavor Society*, 50c; *Christian Endeavor Essentials*, \$1.25; *Guide for ACTION 1963-64* (Junior High edition) 20c.

Daily Bible Readings

M. July	29	A Shepherd Boy	I Samuel 17:32-37
T. July	30	A Farmer	Amos 7:14,15
W. July	31	A Young Lad	John 6:5-13
T. Aug.	1	Devoted Women	John 12:1-8
F. Aug.	2	A Woman of Good Works	Acts 9:36-43
S. Aug.	3	A Helpful Slave	Philemon 10-21
Sun. Aug.	4—Topic:	You're Needed Too! I Corinthians 14:26	

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THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD

My Purpose

Psalms 1



Suggested Program

Pre-Prayer Service

Prelude

Song Service: *Give of Your Best to the Master; In the Service of the King; Jesus Calls Us*

Scripture Reading

Prayer Hymn: *Only Believe*

Sentence Prayers

Announcements and Offering

Topic Presentation

Discussion

Hymn: *I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go*

Mizpah Benediction

Publicity

The next three topics are concerned with Christian vocations. It would be well to keep these three topics in mind as a unit. Have several posters made representing various occupations in which Christians may be engaged, such as Doctor, Lawyer, Minister, Farmer, Housewife, etc. Frame them around a large question mark with the statement: *What Will You Do with Your Life?*

Another suggestion that would take a little longer is to prepare a Christian careers scrapbook. In this book you might have letters of testimony from outstanding Christian leaders in your Church or community as to the meaning of Christianity for them and their own life of service. It would also be interesting to have pictures illustrating some interesting phases of missionary work with the inscription: *It is exciting to serve Jesus Christ!* Our purpose here, of course, is to help Junior Highs to see that Christianity and a Christian career is an exciting adventure.

Pray that God may give you as a leader the ability to present your topic with enthusiasm. No one is really interested in serving a Saviour who is only a glorified ideal—He is a living Lord!

Introducing the Topic

Begin this topic by asking the question, What are you planning to do with your life? If your group is not too large it would be good to pause and let everyone give at least a tentative answer to this question. Do not let anyone be embarrassed who has not yet made up his mind, perhaps before the topic is finished you will be able to help them.

Talks on the Topic

Life's Most Important Question

Perhaps you have never thought much about the question, Why am I here? It is true in a sense that we did not ask to be born and yet God must have us here for a very special purpose. Do you believe that God has a special purpose for everyone's life? Christians earnestly believe and confess that God has a plan for every life. If we permit God to direct us that plan will be clear. It is said of God that he "declares the end from the beginning and from ancient times the things that are not yet done." (Isaiah 46:10).

If we understand that we are in the world for a purpose and that God created man, which includes all of us, to worship and honor him then the direction of our life should be to honor and please God and by doing so to serve our fellow men. There are many people who have only a selfish purpose in life namely that of honoring themselves. Some people live solely for the purpose of their own pleasure and glory. But this kind of a life is unpleasant, unhappy, and dissatisfying when they really stop to think about it.

Psalms 1

(Have someone now read the Scripture reading, Psalm 1.) This Psalm sets forth the purpose of the man of God. The strength of this man is found in his study and meditation of God's Word, obviously to help him in directing his life. By his life of obedience he becomes steadfast like a tree by the water. The fruit of this tree does not fail; whatever the evil man meets does not shake him out of his faith and obedient trust in God. This Psalm reminds us a good deal of John 15:1-5. Jesus uses a similar example suggesting that we can only be useful in the world as we cling closely to Him because He is the source of our life. He is the One who gives us spiritual fruit.

How Can I Serve Best?

Perhaps some of us have not yet learned what it really means to serve. It is far more fun to be waited upon

than to do the serving. Yet, if we are going to be useful we are going to have to learn how to go about the matter of serving Jesus Christ. Our service must not be a once-in-awhile thing; it must be daily service. We must learn to do many little things that we may think don't even count.

A Clue from Paul

(Have someone read the Saturday Bible reading from Philippians 3:8-14.) In this passage the apostle Paul is speaking of the wonder of a personal knowledge of Jesus Christ. In the previous verses, 5 and 6, he lists all the things of which he had been so very proud in the past. Paul had a rather impressive record from a human point of view. The Apostle is not trying to tell us that we ought not to prepare ourselves as best as we can for Christian service. God needs high school and college graduates in today's work. He needs M.D.'s, D.D.'s, Ph.D.'s, Ed.D.'s, etc. But this is *not* the distinguishing mark of a Christian! The mark of a Christian is that he knows Jesus Christ as personal Saviour. Paul seeks to find his goodness in Jesus Christ alone. Paul trusts Jesus Christ as his personal Saviour from sin. It is essential that everyone of us as young people begin right there. The first Basic Principle of Christian Endeavor is open *Confession of Christ*. This is followed by the second Principle *Service for Christ*.

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Once we have learned to know Jesus Christ personally then we must seek to serve Him with the whole of our life. To serve Him properly we must obey Him wherever he calls us to go, and we must do whatever He wishes us to do. We shall see how this is illustrated in the lives of some of the heroes of the faith.

God's Call

In every instance where men have served God faithfully and well, there has been a call to service. (At this point the leader may have to decide if he would like the Monday through Thursday Bible readings read or if he would rather wait until later when characters are individually discussed.) You will notice that in every suggested Bible character God issued a call to service. He called Abraham out of the Ur of the Chaldees to go into a strange land (Genesis 12:1). He called Moses through the burning bush to lead his people out of Egypt into Canaan (Exodus 3:10). He gave Gideon directions to tear down the idols to Baal (Judges 6:25). Esther was forced by circumstance, God appointed, to be Israel's deliverer (Esther 4:14). The call of the various disciples also comes clearly to memory and especially the call of Paul on the road to Damascus (Acts 9). God will also call us to his service. Our experience may not be quite as dramatic as that of the Bible characters we have just discussed. Nevertheless we ought to be ready to listen to God's call when it comes to us. Perhaps a sermon by our pastor may seem to be God's call to us. Perhaps a missionary will really challenge us. It may be a Christian Endeavor rally or an experience at a youth camp somewhere will be God's call. We must be sure we are ready to listen to it. History can tell the story of many people who are making money but are very unhappy because they are not serving God as they should. Once this call has come to us, we find that it is just the beginning.

God's Preparation

When God calls a man to do a job he also gives him the ability to do it. Moses, for example, had all kinds of excuses. First, "What importance do I have?" Second, "Who has really sent me?" Third, "They will not believe me." Fourth, "I am slow of speech." Fifth, "Send someone else." To all of

Questions for Discussion

1. How can we know God's will?
2. Should every Christian feel called to the work he is doing?
3. What is the meaning of the word "vocation"?
4. What can you do now to shape your life toward doing God's will?
5. Does God call a person to be a housewife, a farmer, and a factory worker?

these objections God gave a clear answer.

Esther could serve because she alone was queen and able to go in to speak to the king. We must realize that God will help us qualify for the task of service. God wants the best. To really serve Jesus Christ we must be ready to give our all for him. It is also important for us to ask advice of parents, ministers, and other friends as we think about serving Christ.

God's Placement

After God prepares us he will also place us where he wants to use us. Sometimes we like to sing, *I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go, Dear Lord*. David Livingstone, it is said, asked God that he might be used anywhere but Africa. This is precisely where God used him so mightily and so well for so many years. If we are willing to serve God then we ought to be willing to be used anywhere. Even in our small villages and towns we have a service to perform. We cannot all be Dwight L. Moody's but some of us have to be the plain, unknown Sunday school teacher who lead Moody to Christ.

Difficulties

To be in Christian service is a real adventure for Christ. But it is not always easy or pleasant work. The Bible keeps reminding us that we have an adversary—the devil. He enjoys nothing better than our defeat. Abraham found famine in Canaan. In fact it was so severe he moved to Egypt. Moses was stuck with a group of people who were always complaining and blaming him. Gideon met the opposition of all the Baal worshippers. Esther had to brave the wrath of the king with the possible loss of her own life. The Apostle Paul faced untold hardships for the Gospel.

Yet God was able to deliver his people out of all these difficult circumstances. If we expect it to be easy to serve Jesus Christ we had better not even start to serve Him.

Steady Purpose

The Apostle Paul says in Friday's Bible reading, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith" (II Timothy 4:7). These Bible people had a characteristic that some would call stick-to-it-tiveness. God will help us to be steady in purpose. We need to keep our eye on Christ who was steady to the end (Note Hebrews 12:2).

And what of the end? Paul says, "There is laid up for me a crown of righteousness . . . and not to me only but unto all them also that love his appearing" (II Timothy 4:8). We may never be very rich or famous as far as the world counts wealth. In fact, you may never make the headlines when you die, but service for Christ has eternal value. Someone has said,

*Only one life, t'will soon be past
Only what is done for Christ will last.*

Resource Materials

The following helpful books are available from the International Society of Christian Endeavor:

How to Know the Will of God, by William Orr, 30c

You Have a Talent, by Faith C. Bailey, \$1.00

How I Found God's Will for My Life, by John Sigsworth, \$1.00

Youth's Talent for Christ, by R. L. Middletown, \$1.00.

Daily Bible Readings

M. Aug.	5	Abraham Obeyed God	Genesis 12:1-5
T. Aug.	6	Moses Heeded God	Exodus 4:18-23
W. Aug.	7	Gideon Dared to Obey	Judges 6:25-32
T. Aug.	8	Esther Was Persuaded	Esther 4:10-17
F. Aug.	9	Luke Was Faithful	II Timothy 4:6-11
S. Aug.	10	Paul Was Devoted	Philippians 3:8-14
Sun. Aug.	11—Topic:	My Purpose	Psalms 1

Comments by Dr. Jerome DeJong, minister of the Immanuel Reformed Church of Grand Rapids, Michigan

Hymns listed in program outlines in THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD have been selected from the new CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SONGS. This book, with an attractive orange and black krome-kote cover, contains 138 songs and hymns and 20 responsive Scripture readings for youth meetings. Available from International Society of Christian Endeavor, 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 16, Ohio. Price: 60c each, \$6 per dozen, \$48 per hundred.

Vocation Tour

John 4:35-38

Suggested Program

Pre-Prayer Service
Boarding the plane
Stewardess' Welcome
Song Service: *Living for Jesus; We Would Be Building; Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*
Scripture Reading: John 4:35-38
Prayer Hymn: *I Am Thine, O Lord*
Sentence Prayers
Announcements and Offering
Stewardess
Departing plane for Compound
Station H.C.J.B. Compound
Discussion
Dedication: (signing of Lifework Recruit Cards)
Hymn: *O Jesus I Have Promised*
Mizpah Benediction

Publicity Suggestions

See the suggestions in the previous topic. In addition you will soon discover that this tour of vocations will take us to a radio compound in Ecuador, South America. We are going to tour radio station H.C.J.B. which I had the opportunity of visiting in February of this year. The vocations we will discuss are actually all there on the compound. If you would like literature on the work of this station to display you can obtain it by writing to the World Radio Missionary Fellowship, Box 691, Miami 47, Florida.

Taking a Vocation Tour

If you like you can imagine yourselves on board an airplane flying from wherever you are into Quito, Ecuador. Each occupation might be represented in pantomime by a member of your society. Have a person presenting the vocation performing a task suggested by the particular vocation in question. You could arrange some chairs in airplane fashion and another group of chairs around a center where all these vocations will be presented. The worship service will take place on the plane. When you have reached your destination everyone will move from the chairs setup as a plane to those in a semi-circle.

Order the folder *What Is a Lifework Recruit?* and Lifework Recruit cards from the International Society of Christian Endeavor. Have a time of dedication at the close of the meeting urging

those who feel led to sign a Lifework Recruit card.

STEWARDESS: Welcome aboard your Panagra flight to Quito, Ecuador. Fasten your seat belts please." (If you can, have someone translate this same sentence into Spanish. After the instructions above are given in English give them in Spanish as is always done on such flights.)

Following the welcome from the Stewardess begin your worship service (see *Suggested Program*).

STEWARDESS: We are now arriving in Quito, Ecuador. This city is 10,750 feet above sea level. The snow capped mountains you see are Cayambe and Cotapaxie both over 19,000 feet high. On your left is the radio tower of radio station H.C.J.B., the Voice of the Andes. (Plane lands; everyone alights and goes to the semi-circle of chairs.)

ABE VANDER PUY: (president of H.C.J.B.) Welcome to station H.C.J.B. As soon as you have presented your tourist visas we will get into the radio cars and drive to the compound. (Pause) . . . Here we are, Welcome to radio station H.C.J.B. These call letters stand for "Heralding Christ Jesus' Blessings." This radio station was organized in 1934 and is the largest Christian broadcasting station outside of the United States of America. Here you will have an opportunity to see what kind of work can be done for Jesus Christ.

Before we begin a description of the various vocations represented on the Compound we ought to remember that the purpose of the meeting is to show us the opportunities for service everywhere. Perhaps some of us will be inspired to give our lives for Christian service in a way we never thought possible before. Now let us hear from some who are serving Christ on the Compound.

EVANGELIST: (Someone with a Bible before a microphone in the act of preaching.) It is evident to everyone that Christian service is certainly accomplished by a preacher of the Gospel. This job requires some careful preparation and real commitment to Christ. The



job of an evangelist can be performed in a church, like any minister of the Gospel. This includes preaching, teaching, counselling, and visitation. This position can also be performed on street corners or missions or over the air. The language may be English or Spanish or French or any of the hundreds of languages and dialects in the world. The Bible says, "How then shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!" (Romans 9:15).

RADIO ARTIST: (Someone holding a song-book or a musical instrument before the mike.) Have you ever thought of the radio as a means for Christian service? Here at the radio station you will find many artists. Some play the piano, organ, or vibraharp; some play trumpets or trombones; some play the accordion, many sing in choruses, quartets, duets, trios, or solos. All these have dedicated their lives to bringing the Gospel by this means. There are some people who will not listen to the Gospel in any other way. This may be your talent and it can be used for Jesus' sake.

RADIO TECHNICIAN: I am a radio technician. My business is to regulate the volume and quality of the program that is going out over the air. Have you ever thought that a radio program is impossible without someone to operate the controls. This is therefore a way to serve the Lord. There are many broadcasting studios everywhere that need this kind of help.

ENGINEER: (Someone with wrenches or tools) I'm an engineer. I care for the vast amount of radio equipment here at the studio and at the transmitter station. Some years ago when the trans-

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mitters were first built a method had to be devised to cool the large radio tubes that would otherwise burn out in a few minutes. We devised a plan to run cool water around the base of the tubes to cool them. There are two large deisel engines that must be kept running to supply electricity. Besides all this there is a complete self-sustaining telephone systems right on the grounds that needs attention. Yes, engineers are needed to keep all the equipment in good running order.

PRINTER: (Someone holding a book.) I am the man who runs a printing press and a multilith machine. Do you suppose this is important? If we were to speak to Mr. Christiansen a moment, who is in charge of the correspondence radio school, we would discover that already more than 65,000 pieces of literature have been distributed throughout Latin America from this source alone. All the young people will no doubt remember that the invention of the printing press by Guttenberg was one of the factors that led to the Reformation. Printing is needed everywhere to get the Gospel out.

WRITERS AND TRANSLATORS: (Someone with paper and pencil.) Who do you suppose writes the books and materials used on the mission field? Who writes the material for the radio programs? There are also those of us who must translate the Bible, first of all, and then other helpful Christian literature into the language of other people. The radio station here has those who speak and broadcast in Swedish, Russian, English, German, Chichua, Jivaro, Spanish, and soon in Japanese. If you are interested in linguistics, the study of language, you will find a job awaiting you somewhere. The Wycliffe Bible Translators are busy all over the world translating the Bible into new languages.

AIRPLANE PILOT: (Man with pilot's helmet) Did you know that the only access to many parts of the jungle and to mission stations there is by airplane. Here in Ecuador, and for that matter in many other areas of the world, the Missionary Aviation Fellowship flies missionaries, goods, and supplies to the various jungle stations. Years ago before the days of the missionary planes it would sometimes take the missionaries three or four days steady walking through knee-deep mud to get to their stations. If you are interested in flying this is the job for you.

NURSE: (Someone dressed in a uniform). This is Rimmer Memorial Hospital maintained by the Radio Fellowship also. Here we find a fine hospital maintained for the care of native Ecuadorian patients. The third floor of this hospital is closed, however, because of a lack of nurses to maintain another floor. These mission hospitals are found all over the world. No doubt the denomination of which you are a member maintains hospitals also.

DOCTOR: (Someone dressed as a doctor.) I am a doctor who works in the hospital of which the nurse has just been speaking. I do much the same things that doctors do at home. However, I have a special spiritual interest in my patients. I use every opportunity to lead my patients to Christ. Sometimes men are especially receptive when they need physical healing. The work is not very high-paying financially, but it is certainly spiritually rewarding.

HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATORS: (A man with a plain business suit with chart in his hand.) I manage the hospital. Did you think perhaps that this was the job of the doctors and nurses too? No, I must spend time in making purchases, paying bills, taking care of personnel, and seeing to it that the hospital runs smoothly.

AGRICULTURALIST: (Someone dressed in an overall). I am an agriculturalist. My job is raising cattle and growing crops. You may ask, What do I have to do with the Gospel? Did you ever stop to think that the natives need to eat? They must learn how to provide for themselves. When a person is starving he is not usually ready to hear the Gospel.

ABE VANDER PUY (PRESIDENT): That ends our tour; we will take you back to your plane for the trip back home. *Buones Dias!*

Application:

You have had an opportunity to see almost every type of missionary work there is. Surely it becomes more and more difficult to say that there is nothing that you can do. God can use almost any talent for his service. You ought to consult with the pastor to see what you might be able to do. Make an effort to find out if there is a place for service first of all within your own denomination. Perhaps there will be no place for specific service there, then there are lots of interdenominational

groups where you will be able to work with other evangelical Christians.

Of course, you must never scorn the opportunity to do service here at home. Your local Christian Endeavor society or your local unions are very much in need of willing helpers. Wherever God wants to use you be willing to serve!

Close the meeting with a meaningful service of dedication. Challenge everyone present to prayerfully consider what the Lord would have them do with their lives. Have someone read the hymn, *I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go*. Then distribute the Lifework Recruit cards and invite all who feel led to sign them. After the cards have been signed collect them and have prayer. Conclude the meeting with the singing of *O Jesus I Have Promised*.

Follow-Up

It would be helpful to every member of your society if they could gain first-hand information from other Christians who are working in the many vocations that the topic mentions.

Consider inviting such individuals to your society meetings for the next number of weeks. Have one at each meeting to present some information concerning the particular vocation he is in and how he feels he is doing God's will through it.

If you cannot bring all these individuals to your meetings then plan to tape record interviews to be played at your meetings.

It would be helpful if you had folders telling about the particular vocation you are learning about.

Your counselor and pastor will be able to give you helpful suggestions in working out this kind of follow-up to the unit on *Christian Vocations*.

Daily Bible Readings

M. Aug. 12	God's Will	Ephesians 6:5-9
T. Aug. 13	Encouragement from Christ	Mark 16:1-7
W. Aug. 14	Divine Call	Acts 26:12-20
T. Aug. 15	Humble Service	I Corinthians 9:17-27
F. Aug. 16	Divine Sustenance	Philippians 4:10-20
S. Aug. 17	Steadfastness	Colossians 1:18-23
Sun. Aug. 18—Topic: Vocation Tour		John 4:35-38

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Appointment for Guidance

Proverbs 12:15; James 1:5

Publicity

Make a poster with a pathway or road drawn on it with road signs along the way. In the signs place a question mark. Below the picture letter the words: *Are the signposts in your life big question marks? Come tonight and find out what can replace those question marks.* State the time, date, and place of the meeting. A picture of Christ walking alongside a person would add to the poster. Check with pictures from Christian magazines or a picture file in your church.

Leader's Introduction

We have all wished that we could look into the future and know what we will be doing 10 or 20 years from now or even next week. Many of us have also wished we could know how to make the right decisions now so as to be in the right job, or school, or marriage in the future. God knows our future. He doesn't always want us to know the future but He has left us with some very important guideposts along the way. Our pathway to Heaven as Christians is a pathway full of decisions, small and great. It will depend upon how we make those decisions as to how much heavenly reward there will be for us. Making the right decisions is important.

Our topic tonight will show us what guideposts there are that God has given to us to use in making those decisions. We will also find out what we can do ourselves to be better prepared adults serving the Lord.

The first part of our topic tonight will reveal to us what guideposts are available for our use in making every decision we will ever be faced with in our lifetime.

Guideposts Along the Way

This section can be more effective if you will use it as an object lesson also. After each dialogue is given and just before the talk, place on a flannelboard a signpost which has been made before the meeting. These can be made like the ones in the picture or could be shaped like road signs used on our highways today. A pathway or road would add to the picture on the flannelboard but would not be necessary. This could be drawn on a chalkboard, also. Have someone else do this as the talk is being given. Your counselor might be used for giving the talks.

1. Advice from Others

Narrator: Let's listen in as a group are discussing some plans for their youth group.

Pam: I think we should have another group activity before school starts.

Dick: Sounds like a good idea. Of course you had in mind getting together and eating didn't you?

Pam: Is that all you can think of—eating? If we had followed your suggestions all the time, we would have had a barbeque supper together every night this summer.

Dick: I still think it is a good idea. Why don't we have another one just before school starts?

Dan: I'd vote for that one, too, Dick but I think Pam had something else in mind. Is that right, Pam?

Pam: Yes, but I really don't know what. We have had a full summer with camp, swimming parties, picnics and all but there seems that there should be one more activity to close our summer. Let's go and talk with Mr. Anderson, our counselor. He always has some good ideas.

Narrator: An hour and a half later we hear the same group talking as they leave Mr. Anderson's home.

Dick: That retreat idea is really swell. I'm glad we talked to Mr. Anderson; he really has some good ideas.

Dan: He sure does and besides that we all get to help with the final plans.

Pam: This retreat will finish the summer off with a bang and also prepare us for our work in the society for this fall. Mr. Anderson will be able to give us some advice at the retreat on how to make our Christian Endeavor work more effective.

LEADER: The young people in the dialogue had a problem but they knew where to go for advice. There are many types of problems that we face in our lifetime both as individuals and as groups. As these young people asked for advice, each time we are faced with a decision we need to turn to someone for advice. There are many types of decisions and also many places to turn to for advice. Can you name problems that Junior Highs are faced with? Can you also name the places from which Junior Highs can expect to receive advice? (Have the group name as many as they can think of, both problems and sources of advice. Have someone list them on the chalkboard.)

There is a story in the Bible which illustrates the need for seeking advice and also gives some of the dangers involved. II Chronicles 10:6-14 tells the story of King Rehoboam. When he first became king the people who lived in his kingdom came to him with a problem. Rehoboam's father, King Solomon had made it hard on the people in Israel by making their taxes high. Solomon lived in great luxury and in order to have all the things he was used to, the people had to pay high taxes. They had become tired of this and so now with a new

Suggested Program

Pre-Prayer Service

Prelude

Prayer (by leader or counselor)

Song Service: *Trust and Obey; In the Service of the King; I Would Be Like Jesus; Christ Is the Answer*

Scripture: Proverbs 12:15; James 1:5

Song: *Give of Your Best to the Master*

Prayer Time: (Have several give short prayers)

Leader's Introduction

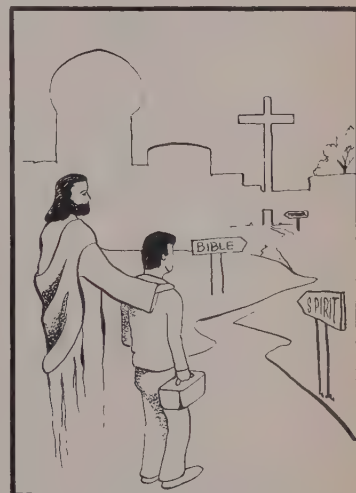
Guideposts Along the Way (Dialogues and Talks)

People of the Bible (Quiz)

Our Own Preparation (Talks)

Counselor's Challenge

Benediction



king they were hoping they would have some relief. They presented their problem to Rehoboam who listened carefully and then told them to come back in three days for his answer.

During the three days King Rehoboam sought advice of two different groups. The first group were the old men who had served under his father King Solomon. The second group were some young men that Rehoboam had grown up with. Advice from the first group to King Rehoboam was to listen to the people and to change their taxes so that it would be easier on the people. The second group advised the king not to listen to the people but to make it even harder on them so that they would know who had the power and who ruled the kingdom.

When the people came back to hear the answer, King Rehoboam told them, "My father made your yoke heavy, but I will add thereto: My father chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions."

When the people heard this they told him they didn't need him for their king but they would leave his kingdom and form one of their own. Rehoboam lost four-fifths of his kingdom because of the decision

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he had made. What went wrong? Rehoboam had asked advice of two different groups and still he made a mistake. Remember this—just because you ask advice doesn't mean you will always do the right thing. If Rehoboam had asked God to show him which advice to follow, God could have told him. God uses many ways in order to let us know the way to choose and sometimes it is through advice but we must not depend upon advice alone to make a decision for us. Advice is only one of the signposts along the way to help us in making the decisions we will be faced with in life.

2. Circumstances

Narrator: Bill and Jim have just come home from school.

Bill: It doesn't look like Dad is here. He was to have the afternoon off and he wanted me to help him with some yard work.

Jim: Did he tell you what you were to do.

Bill: No, because we both thought he would be home when I came home from school.

Jim: Maybe he changed his mind.

Bill: No, I don't think so because some prospective buyers were coming to look at the place and he wanted the yard in good shape. I'll go in the house to see if he left a note. Be back in a moment. (Bill leaves as though going to the house and Jim walks as though he is going to the back yard.)

Jim: Okay, I'll go to the back yard and wait for you. (After a short silence.) Hey, Bill, I think your Dad wants you to mow the lawn and trim the hedge. (Bill comes into sight.)

Bill: How do you know, Jim?

Jim: He left the mower and the hedge trimmers out on the patio for you.

Bill: I guess that's it then. That's as good as a note.

LEADER: There are times in our lives that we can know what the Lord wants us to do by the things that happen or the circumstances around us. One of the areas in which this is true is in choosing our life's work. The natural abilities we have can help us choose the vocation we should be in. The job opportunities we have as a young person can also be a help in deciding what work we want to do during our life. This can be true in other decisions that are ours to make. God can arrange circumstances to show us what is right to do.

Two Scripture verses that teach this are found in Romans 8:28, "All things work together for good to them that love God," and Revelation 3:8, "I have set before thee an open door and no man can shut it."

Circumstances cannot be relied upon alone to show us what our decision should be for a problem. Satan can bring things about also, which look good and right. Circumstance is only one of the signposts along the way to help us in making the decisions we will be faced with in life.

3. Prayer

Narrator: Sue and Carol are talking over the telephone.

Sue: I sure did have fun at camp last week. It was an experience I'll never forget.

Carol: That goes for me too. We had a wonder-

ful time didn't we? I'm so glad you could go. Your testimony of how God helped you to get the money to go was more convincing to the kids that God really answers prayer than most anything our speaker could have said about prayer.

Sue: I know it sure helped my faith. I had worked hard all summer to raise enough money for camp and for school clothes and then an emergency hit our family that took everything extra my folks had and what I had earned to see us through.

Carol: Are your folks making it alright now?

Sue: Yes, the insurance is covering everything now. But then we had things that came up that had to be taken care of right then. It was hard to believe in God for awhile because it had seemed so right to plan to go to camp and then so quickly plans were all changed. So it was an answer to prayer that money came to me from my Uncle John just three days before we were to go to camp. I believe God wanted to teach me something.

Carol: He wanted to teach us all a lesson through you. The lesson for me was in how you prayed after it seemed that all hopes were gone for you to go to camp. I'm not sure that I always pray that the Lord's will be done. I usually want Him to answer according to my plans.

Sue: I know. This is hard for me too, but then I remember who God is and that He always knows what is best. But He wants us to be willing for Him to show us. That is usually the hard part. We know with our head but with our hearts we aren't always willing to let Him do it.

LEADER: There are many Scriptures concerning prayer. One is found in Matthew 7:7,8 (read these verses). Prayer should always be used before making a decision. It might not be possible to ask advice of someone. It might be a type of problem where circumstance doesn't enter in but there is never a problem or decision that we will face but which we should take to the Lord in prayer. It will depend upon our heart's relationship with God if we will be able to get the right answer or not. God always wants to lead us and direct us even in the little things we do and He is pleased when we turn to Him with our smallest needs. Because of our unyieldedness to Him, however, He cannot always show us. He will honor those whose hearts are open to Him for searching and leading. Prayer is another signpost along the way which the Lord uses to show us what decisions to make.

4. Bible Reading

Narrator: Ken and Ray are talking on the phone about an English assignment due in a couple of days.

Ken: Say, by the way, Ray, do you know what the assignment was in English for Friday. I can't find my book and I can't remember the assignment. (Pause) You think it is a theme on social problems? I thought we had that last week. (Pause) You aren't sure then? I'll check with someone else. Thanks. (He hangs up and dials again.) Hi, Dick. Don't have time to talk, just wanted to know if you know what our assignment is in English for Friday. (Pause) You think it is on any subject we want to write on and is to be 250 words in length. Okay, and thanks, Dick. (As he hangs up the doorbell rings and Bill comes in.)

Bill: I picked your English book up by mistake

so thought I'd bring it by. It was laying on the seat in the bus right by my books.

Ken: Thanks, Bill. Let me look and see what the assignment is for Friday. (Leafs through the book) Write a composition of 500 words on the space race. It pays to read the book. Everyone I called tonight had a different idea on this assignment.

LEADER: Just as it is important to get the assignment straight by checking with the textbook, so it is important to get our instructions straight from the Word of God and not depend entirely upon people. There are too many different ideas but if our hearts are open to know the truth and we seek earnestly in God's Word for it, He will make it plain to us. This is another signpost that should be used every time we make a decision. God can use Scripture that was written thousands of years ago to speak to the very needs we have today, even the small ones.

The people at Berea are worthy of imitation. When Paul preached to them, they didn't just take his word for it, they studied the Scriptures to see if it were true. God is pleased when we do this. Bible reading is another important signpost which will help us to find the right way when we need to make a decision.

5. The Holy Spirit's Leading

Narrator: This little scene takes place in a classroom.

Tim: I am sorry, Mr. Robinson, I just can't understand this assignment we have for English for Friday. I have read it over several times already but just can't understand it.

Mr. Robinson: I'll be glad to help you, Tim. What do you understand about it?

Narrator: Some time later.

Tim: Thanks so much Mr. Robinson for your help. It all makes sense now.

Mr. Robinson: I'm glad you came to me, Tim. I'm always glad to help. That is the reason I am here.

LEADER: Just as Tim needed his teacher's help and interpretation, we also need a teacher to help us. We have one that is with us all the time. When we become Christians God gives to us His Spirit to live within to be our teacher. Just as Tim asked his teacher for help so must we seek the help of the Holy Spirit. We do not always hear or heed his advice because there are other voices clamoring for our attention. Our own spirit's voice is always trying to get into the picture as well as others and of course there is always satan who will try to get us off the right track. The Holy Spirit is given to us to teach us and to lead us into the Truth.

Daily Bible Readings

M. Aug. 19	Hear His Voice	Genesis 28:10-15
T. Aug. 20	Obey His Voice	Deuteronomy 30:19,20
W. Aug. 21	Your Calling	I Corinthians 1:26-31
T. Aug. 22	Abide in Your Calling	I Corinthians 7:20-24
F. Aug. 23	Faithful Always	Revelation 2:8-11
S. Aug. 24	Joy Unspeakable	I Peter 1:3-9
Sun. Aug. 25—Topic:	Appointment for Guidance	Proverbs 12:15; James 1:5

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Topics

FOR SENIOR HIGHS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Topic 3 in a Unit: Revitalizing the Youth Meeting

"Doers...Not Hearers Only"

James 1:22-25



For the Counselor

This meeting can be a very effective way for the young people of your Christian Endeavor Society to *learn by doing*. It is an opportunity for you to see that they receive the right kind of training in preparing for every phase of a meeting. A planning meeting with the program leader and the group leaders is a must! At this meeting the complete topic plan should be read and discussed. Enthusiasm can be developed at this meeting as the leaders begin to see the importance of doing a job well. The counselor must inspire them to carry out their responsibilities so they will have an effective meeting. This can be done by checking with them several times before the meeting to see how much progress they have made in their plans. They will look to you for suggestions on where materials can be found and how to select the right materials. Even though the group leaders will be looking for materials, it will be helpful for you to do this, too. Be sure you read this topic plan before the meeting is held because young people expect their counselor to be well informed.

Leader's Responsibilities

Since there will be three types of leaders referred to throughout this topic, a definition of each type is necessary. The first type is the *program leader*, this person is the overseer of the entire meeting. The second, is the *group leader*, he is in charge of the group that has been assigned to him. A further explanation of the group leader's responsibilities will be given under the material entitled *Group Leader's Preparation*. The last leader referred to is the one who is selected to give the leaders' talk during the model meeting. He may be the program leader, or a group leader, or still another group member. Regardless of who is selected his responsibility is to give the talk for the model meeting. This phase of the meeting is discussed in detail under the material entitled *Division of Groups*, point three, *leader's talk*.

The program leader will be the timekeeper for the meeting. Each part has a time limit as follows:

1. Presenting the workshop—two minutes
2. Division of the groups—twenty minutes

3. Organizing the program—eight minutes

4. Presenting the program—thirty minutes

He must keep track of the time and notify the groups when their time is almost up so they can summarize the plans quickly. He will also select group leaders and assign them their parts. As he chooses his group leaders he should select experienced Christian Endeavorers who have participated in past Christian Endeavor meetings. When he assigns definite parts, he must keep in mind the individual's talents and be sure to place them in charge of the part they have special abilities for, such as: someone with musical training could be the group leader for the song service.

The program leader selected to present an effective meeting must assign these parts ahead of time and meet with the counselor and group leaders at least two weeks in advance of the meeting. At this meeting each group leader can be instructed about his responsibilities and the preparation these responsibilities will require. A list of the supplies each group leader will be required to bring can be decided at this meeting and written down. The program leader with the help of the counselor must emphasize the importance of each person doing his job well and being properly prepared.

Group Leader's Preparation

After the groups have been divided by the program leader and have assembled in their appointed places, each group leader will instruct his group about their part in the program and remind them that they have twenty minutes to develop their assignment. Each group leader will present the available materials and give a very brief explanation of their use.

The group leader will be the spokesman for the group when the entire Christian Endeavor society comes together to organize the program. He will take notes as his group works and as they make their final decisions. He will compile the developments of the group during the closing minutes of their group meeting.

Presenting the Workshop

A brief introduction should be given by the program leader before the Christian Endeavor Society is divided into groups. The introduction should include:

1. An explanation of the importance of the time limits.
2. The purpose of a model meeting.
3. Stress that this is to be a practical session with "on-the-job training."

The program leader should also emphasize that this workshop experience will truly be Christian Endeavor in action. During this introduction, tips on posture, presentation, etc. could be given, but remember the main object is to give the members a clear cut vision of the importance of this type of meeting.

Division of Groups

The program leader should allow twenty minutes for this part of the program. He should divide the society into small groups of not less than four and not more than eight. The number of groups you will have will depend upon the size of your society. To illustrate this, as an example let's use three groups. Be sure a group leader is assigned to each group and try to see that all the experienced members are not in the same group. They should be dispersed among the groups to assist the less experienced members. Below, are three suggested assignments for three groups.

1. **PROGRAM PLAN:** This group should be instructed by the group leader that they will have twenty minutes to prepare the opening worship. The worship will last exactly ten minutes. They can include a call to worship, offertory, announcements, and Scripture reading or supplement these with other plans. The time element must be considered carefully and an estimate of time for each phase be made. As an example:

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- a. Call to Worship—one minute
- b. Offertory—three minutes
- c. Announcements—three minutes
- d. Scripture Reading—three minutes

In selecting the program plan, the Scripture Text, James 1:22-25 and the theme "Doers—Not Hearers Only" must always be kept in mind. After a program plan has been selected, and there is some time left in the twenty minute planning period, a rehearsal of parts could be held. In this way the members would gain confidence and the timing could be checked also.

2. **SONG SERVICE:** The group leader should explain to this group the importance of the song service, how it creates the mood and atmosphere for the rest of the program and the topic. He should remind them of the topic theme and that six minutes is the allotted time given them for the song service. The amount of songs selected and the number of verses to be sung will depend upon the strict time limit. The group must remember that under the usual circumstances they would plan a longer song service, but they would still have a time limit to observe.

The more experienced members can instruct the others on how to select songs from a topical index and a general index. Types of songs should be discussed and a definite goal for the song service should be determined, for example: if an enthusiastic mood is desired, then lively choruses should be selected or if a consecration mood is your goal then the songs picked must give a feeling of seriousness and create a devotional attitude.

3. **LEADER'S TALK:** Since, this group will deal largely with research and presentation, the group leader may assign parts to each member to develop and then he may volunteer to present the leader's talk to the group since he has received advance instruction on the over-all program. However, this should be decided by the group; your group may have a better method. As, the members begin their research, instructions on note-taking should be given. Remind them not to try to write what they read word for word, but to seek out the main thought of the writer and then to write it down briefly in their own words. Be sure to tell them that the talk will be only fourteen minutes in length, this will help them in selecting material.

As each reference book is given to the members, the group leader should explain where this book was obtained and why it was selected. This is so your members will understand the advan-

tages of advance planning and study.

The first thing this group must do is lay the foundation for their talk. This must be done by consulting the Bible; this is the source that we must use for the background of any Christian Endeavor topic. Without injecting Scriptural truth in our topic we have defeated our whole Christian Endeavor purpose. First of all, every Scripture listed under the Daily Bible Readings for this topic must be read. Then consult a Bible Commentary for a more complete understanding. Select the Scriptures you feel will help your Christian Endeavor society the best. Although you probably won't use all the Scriptures listed, they will give you the background you need for your talk. If additional Scriptures are needed use your Bible concordance and look under the words, *Doer* and *Hear*. You will find lots of additional Scriptures listed. A Bible dictionary can be an additional source for finding Scriptures.

After your Scriptures have been selected you will need to consult other reference books for material to illustrate the truth found in the Scriptures. A book of illustrations will offer many interesting stories dealing with the subject of our topic. Remember Christ used common everyday happenings to illustrate the points He was telling His followers. So, in a talk of this length at least one illustration could be used.

Current events such as newspaper and magazine stories offer excellent material for illustrations. Historical events often have interesting significance for illustrations. A story about some famous personality always seems to interest an audience.

Poetry can certainly aid a speaker in dramatizing a point, but it must have a purpose and be well quoted or read.

Personal interviews and experiences can certainly help in making an effective talk. Opinions of several people can be given, but do not mention names. If personal experiences are used, be careful you do not appear to be boasting.

As soon as, your research is completed start to arrange and assemble your material by drawing up a simple outline. Your outline should have three or four divisions. Under each division you will probably want at least two points. Your outline should have an introduction and a conclusion. Your opening remarks should be "attention getters." Now fill in the outline with the information you have gathered. Your outline should be brief notes full of "memory joggers" but it shouldn't be your speech written out word for word. Your outline is just a guide for use

while giving your talk. A talk does not have to be long to be effective, so quit when you are finished! Don't draw your speech out just to use up the time. Be sure to have a clear and convincing conclusion.

Now, study your outline until you feel sure you can recall it at a moment's glance. If time permits you could practice it using your group members as your trial audience. This way, since they have helped in the research, planning, and assembling of materials they can give constructive criticism.

Organizing the Program

All the groups should assemble and present their plans to the group as a whole. The program leader will be the person in charge of this phase of the model meeting. The purpose of this eight-minute is to coordinate the plans made by each group so that the model meeting will run smoothly.

The order of the program should be planned and written on the chalkboard where all the participants can see to know when their part comes. If this were a regular meeting slips should have been prepared and given to each participant informing them when they were to appear on the program and reminding them of their responsibility. Due to the time element of a workshop the chalkboard method will be a good substitute. Be sure the allotted time is listed beside each duty so each participant will be reminded of his time limit.

Presenting the Program

At last you are ready to present the program! The program leader must see that the program runs smoothly and keeps in mind the thirty minute time limit.

This should prove to be an effective and interesting meeting. It will certainly aid the devotional committee and they should see that the experience gained here is put to use as they plan their future meetings.

Daily Bible Readings

M. July	29	Faith Cannot be Contained	Acts 4:13-20
T. July	30	Bring Others to Christ	John 1:43-46
W. July	31	Active Witnessing	Acts 8:26-38
T. Aug.	1	Use What You Have	Exodus 4:1-5
F. Aug.	2	The True Spirit of Doing	Galatians 5:22-26
S. Aug.	3	The Challenge	Jude 20-23
Sun. Aug.	4	Topic: "Doers—Not Hearers Only"	James 1:22-25

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THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD

Topic 1 in a Unit: Church-Related Vocations

"Speak, Lord"

I Samuel 3:1-10



Our Purpose

1. To become acquainted with the various ways in which God calls people for special work in His Kingdom and, in particular, to the Christian ministry.
2. To become acquainted with what being a Christian minister involves.

about his decision, and then collect the signed ones and dedicate them with prayer.

Introduction

The leader should open the meeting by pointing out that this is the first of a series of three which will deal with the manner in which God may reveal His will for one's life. The leader should explain that the first meeting will concentrate on the Christian minister, the second will emphasize the mission field, and the third will stress church-related vocations. Each of these areas can be defined more precisely by the leader through acquainting himself with the literature suggested in the resources section.

The Christian Minister

A fundamental requirement for the Christian minister is his call by Christ to serve Him in this special manner. This raises the question, "What is a call?" A closely allied question is: "Are all such calls made in the same way?" The answers to these questions can be discovered through a study of the various calls of men by God as recorded in the Bible.

By studying any one of these calls we can find the answer to the first question. By studying many of them we can discover the answer to the second.

What Is a Call?

To answer this question let us study the one experienced by Samuel as recorded for us in I Samuel 3:1-10. Note the state of affairs as far as spiritual matters were concerned at this time. Was a change necessary? Note the quality of Samuel's character? Was he a person whose life matched the task which

he was being commissioned to do? (I Samuel 3:19-20). Note the response of Samuel to God's word. Was he conscious of the seriousness of what he had to do?

From these investigations it would appear that a call from God to serve Him as a minister involves a need, a person, a message. Therefore, one who is deeply aware of the needs of men and of society for spiritual help to become at one with God, who enjoys such a relationship with God through Jesus Christ, and who feels compelled to share that experience and knowledge with others to help them find their true purpose in living is one who can be sure that he has been called to serve Christ in the capacity of a minister.

How Does God Call?

The answer to this question is discovered by studying the various calls of God as found in the Scriptures. Consider Abraham (Genesis 12:1-3). To what did God appeal in his case? Moses (Exodus 3:1-6). What part of his nature did God work on? Isaiah (Isaiah 6:1-8). What was Isaiah's mental attitude when God called him? Elisha (II Kings 2:1-14). Did Elijah's example have any influence on Elisha? Philip (Acts 6:3-6; 8:4-8). Did his character have anything to do with his selection by the Apostles? Paul (Acts 9:1-9). Why was such a drastic experience necessary in his case?

Since each person called by God is an individual, unique, it would appear from such a study that the way God calls an individual is determined by his nature and character. Sometimes God calls through a turbulent emotional experience (Isaiah and Paul), or, through curiosity (Moses), or through the example of another (Elisha), or through appointment or election on the basis of

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Suggested Program

Pre-Prayer Service
Prelude
Call to Worship: Mark 1:17,18
Invocation and Lord's Prayer
Hymn: *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*
Scripture Lesson: I Samuel 3:1-10
Sentence Prayers
Announcements
Offertory
Hymn: *Give of Your Best to the Master*
Presentation of Topic
Distribute *Lifework Recruit Enrollment Cards*
Dedication of the Cards
Hymn: *Jesus Calls Us*
Benediction

Publicity

Have a notice of the meeting printed in the church bulletin. Announce the meeting several weeks in advance in the church school along with an invitation to attend. Let each member be responsible for bringing another young person to the meeting as an experience in evangelism.

For the Leader

Be sure to send for needed materials at least four weeks before the meeting so as to be sure to have what is necessary on hand.

Invite your pastor to attend the meeting and ask him to be a resource person. Again, extend the invitation several weeks in advance.

The program can be presented in one of several ways. The subject can be presented by a speaker, preferably one of your own number, or a panel of three speakers selected from the group.

Another suggestion is to use the film. *Is This for Me?* or *Called to Serve*. If this is the choice, be sure to order well in advance, preview it before showing, introduce the film by pointing out things which the viewer should notice, and be prepared to lead a discussion period after it.

Another suggestion is to use the film-strip, *Youth and Church Vocations*. Again, preview it and follow the suggestions of the accompanying material for best results.

At the conclusion of the discussion distribute *Lifework Recruit Enrollment Cards*. Let each one prayerfully think

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character and qualifications to a special task in the life of the Church (Stephen and Philip), or through the promise of a parent (Samuel). There is no fixed manner, no one way. God knows us and deals with us as individuals and according to our nature and susceptibility. Whatever the manner of the call, when it comes one can recognize it eventually by the inescapability of it, by realizing that only in yielding to it can one have peace within.

What Is a Minister?

A minister is a person who has a passion for souls. He yearns that all men should come into right relationship with God through Jesus Christ as Saviour, and then help them to grow into the likeness of Christ. To accomplish his task requires many abilities. He must be a preacher, one who is able to communicate to people the message of God's redeeming love in Jesus Christ. To accomplish this means that he must spend a definite number of hours each day in his study becoming the master of the Bible and reading books in many allied fields of study.

He must also be a pastor, a shepherd of souls, who is able to counsel people with problems, comfort them in sorrow, encourage them in times of despair, visit them in their homes so as to become their friends, and visit them in sickness. In other words, he must share in the lives of his people in every experience from birth to death. In addition, he must be an organizer and administrator able to provide an outlet for Christian expression for every age and interest group, a program for instructing all age groups in the faith, and see that the life and business of the church is functioning harmoniously and effectively.

He must be a representative of the church as a whole keeping ever before his people the wider concerns of his denomination in missions and social education and action.

Finally, he must be community minded seeing to it that the influence of the church is felt in all areas of public activity. Such a many sided life leaves no room for a timeclock to punch when the day begins and again when it ends some eight hours later. It is a twenty-four hour a day job and often seven days a week.

What Preparation Is Required?

In most denominations or communions before a person who feels he has a call from God to be a minister can be

Questions for Discussion

1. How may we know that God is calling us to special areas of service?
2. How can we know His will?
3. Is God really interested in my life?

ordained he must have a college degree and then go on to seminary for professional training. This means at least seven years of education beyond the high school level. During this time he must have demonstrated by his deportment and activities that he is a devoted emulator of Jesus Christ and vitally concerned about the needs of the Kingdom.

Then, he will have to be examined by a special committee of the body under whose care he has been as to his knowledge, piety, and fitness to become a minister. Only then will he be accepted for ordination and allowed to accept a call from a church to be its minister.

Conclusion

There is no job in the world more exacting and demanding than the ministry. It requires much study and training, many hours each day to carry out the many responsibilities involved, infinite patience, a love of people (even the worst), and a passion for wanting people to enjoy a right relationship with God through Jesus Christ. On the other hand, there is no work more rewarding than the ministry. To be able to help people to come to know Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour, to become like Him in every experience of life, and to help make the world a better place in which to live is its own reward. Nothing money can provide, or honor can bestow can match the satisfaction and sense of accomplishment that comes from loving people into Christ's Kingdom.

Resources

FILMS: *Is This for Me?* 45 minutes.
Called to Serve 30 minutes.

FILMSTRIPS: *Youth and the Meaning of Vocations; Youth and the World of Work; Youth and Church Vocations; Youth and the Family in Vocational Decision.*

All of the above are put out by Cathedral Films, Burbank, California.

There is a new film just released entitled *Minister*. It is in full color with

sound and rents at \$12.50. It is available from Video Productions International, 1183 University Avenue, New York 52, New York.

Secure the following from the International Society of Christian Endeavor, Columbus, Ohio: *What Is a Lifework Recruit?* and *Lifework Recruit Enrollment Cards*, 35c doz.

These pamphlets are free from Presbyterian Distribution Service 225 Varick Street, N.Y.C. or 416 S. Franklin St., Chicago or 234 McAllister St., San Francisco

Careers and the Christian Calling; Church Vocations for Women; Music as a Church Vocation; Nursing as a Christian Vocation; Teaching as a Christian Vocation; The Ordained Ministry; You and Your Vocational Choice;

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Lurnell, R. F., *Jim Crawford Volunteers*,

Board of Youth Activities, Augustana Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, 1948

Illustration

He built a house; time laid it in the dust.
He wrote a book; its title now forgot.
He ruled a city, but his name is not
On any table graven or where rust
Can gather from disuse or marble bust.
He took a child from out a wretched cot
Who on the state dishonor might have brought,
And reared him to the Christian's hope and trust.
The boy, to manhood grown, became a light
To many souls, and preached for human need
The wondrous love of the Omnipotent.
The work has multiplied like stars at night
When darkness deepens; every noble deed
Lasts longer than a granite monument.

Anonymous

Daily Bible Readings

M. Aug.	5	God Speaks to Noah	Genesis 6:8-22
T. Aug.	6	God Speaks to Abraham	Genesis 13:14-18
W. Aug.	7	God Speaks to Moses	Exodus 3:1-6
T. Aug.	8	God Speaks to Jonah	Jonah 3:1-5
F. Aug.	9	God Speaks to Paul	Acts 9:1-9
S. Aug.	10	God Speaks to John	Revelation 1:9-11
Sun. Aug.	11	Topic: "Speak, Lord"	I Samuel 3:1-10

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"Here Am I, Send Me"

Isaiah 6:1-8

Suggested Program

Pre-Prayer Service
Recorded Organ Music
Call to Worship: Matthew 28:19,20
Invocation and Lord's Prayer
Hymn: *O Worship the King*
Scripture: Isaiah 6:1-8
Evening Prayer
Announcements
Offering
Hymn: *In Christ There Is No East or West*
Presentation of Topic
Distribution of Lifework Recruit Enrollment cards
Dedication of the Cards
Hymn: *We've a Story to Tell to the Nations*
Benediction

Publicity

Have the meeting announced in the church bulletin and ask your pastor to make special mention of it from the pulpit.

On a large sheet of poster paper arrange attractively a number of pamphlets sent to you by your denomination. In block letters print at the top: **HELP WANTED!** Below the pamphlets print: **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION COME TO,** and then indicate the place, the time, and the date.

Early in the week send out postcards to as many young people as possible inviting them to attend the meeting being sure to include all the necessary information.

For the Leader

This topic offers a number of possibilities for effective presentation. If you will speak with your pastor far enough in advance, he may be able to arrange with your denomination to have a missionary on furlough visit your church for the day to speak at the morning service and then speak to your group. This is worth serious investigation.

Another manner in which the program can be presented is by means of a film or a filmstrip. One of the films or filmstrips mentioned in the Resources section can be used. Better still secure one that your denomination or communion puts out or recommends. To be effective, however, it will require that it be previewed in advance. This will acquaint you with its subject matter as well as assure you of a smooth presentation at the meeting. Be sure to introduce films with appropriate and pertinent remarks. Be sure to have a number of questions to ask at the conclusion of the film to stimulate discussion.

The third suggestion is to select three or four members of the group and ask each one to present a different area of the mission field opportunities such as teaching, medicine, technological skills, and preaching. Be

Purpose

1. To see what a wide range of skills and abilities can be used in the mission field at home and abroad.
2. To see how each one can employ his speciality or training in the service of Christ on the frontiers of faith.

sure to supply each with the material available to make as thorough and interesting a presentation as possible.

A good way to interest others in your meeting would be to serve a foreign mission meal or a dessert representative of some land across the sea where your denomination carries on work. Your denomination's board of missions can offer you suggestions along this line. Perhaps, the adult missionary society of your church already has such menus on hand. If so, this group might be willing to prepare such a meal or dessert for the group.

Be sure to distribute the Lifework Recruit Enrollment Cards at the end of the discussion. Let each one prayerfully consider it. Collect those which have been signed and dedicate them in an appropriate manner.

Follow-up Activities

Your group may wish to support a Korean orphan for a year. This costs about \$10.00 a month. If this proves to be more than your group can afford, then you might look into the possibility of sharing this venture with other young people's groups in your community as a joint venture.

Many denominations have a program which enables young people's groups to stake a claim in some mission field. The group selects the particular work it would like to support and promises to send a definite amount of money each month or year. In return the group will receive letters from the field informing it of the work being done and the progress being made.

Illustration

During an evangelistic service held in a church in London a most interesting incident took place. After the evangelist had concluded his stirring message he invited the members of the congregation to lead in brief prayers as the Spirit moved them. A certain member of the congregation for reasons best known to himself prayed for a con-



siderable period of time. The evangelist happened to look up and saw a young man toward the back of the church quietly stand up to make his way out of the gathering. Immediately, the evangelist announced, "While brother Jones is communing with himself we will sing hymn number sixty-four." The young man had to sit down. He was duly impressed with the evangelist's good sense.

After the service he went up and spoke to the evangelist and, in consequence, gave his life to Christ and the mission field. This young man was Dr. Wilfred Grenfell. He established a medical mission work in Labrador. So dedicated was he and so needed the work that each summer numerous college students, impressed with his self-sacrificing labors, volunteered their services. Many who did later entered the mission field in various capacities as a result of their experiences working with Dr. Grenfell and being imbued with his spirit.

Introduction

Usually, when the subject of missions is thought about it is in terms of distant lands and preaching the Gospel. This is far from a true picture of the missionary enterprise as carried on by the Church of Jesus Christ in these days.

In the first place, the missionary work of the Church can be as near as your own town or city, certainly within your own state or province, and in every state or province of your country. This work is usually called *Home Missions*. The needs and opportunities within this area are just as vital and challenging as those beyond its borders.

In the second place, while proclaiming the Gospel is still the basic work of missions it is no longer considered as

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restricted to preaching. The Gospel can be and is presented to others in deeds as well as words and by dedicated laymen as well as ordained clergymen. In either case, there must still be a sense of call, a feeling of holy vocation, on the part of those who wish to have a share in the bringing of the "good-news of salvation in Jesus Christ" to those who know it not.

It is to acquaint ourselves with the many avenues for service on the mission field, both at home and abroad, that we are assembled. It is the hope that as a result of this meeting each will realize that there is a field of endeavor in the mission work of the Church in which he or she can serve according to interest and ability.

Areas of Service

The basic need is and will ever be ordained ministers. Ministers with their training in the Bible and theology are best equipped to communicate the Gospel and instruct in the faith. With their training in worship and pastoral care they are prepared to conduct services and administer the sacraments as well as counsel and minister to the spiritual needs of people.

There is a wide area in the field of education. On the mission field emphasis is placed on education at all levels from the kindergarten to the college, depending upon the situation which confronts the Church. Thus, there is need for qualified teachers on all these levels and in all areas; administrators such as principals; special skills such as training the handicapped, aiding the problem child, and assisting the slow learner; and, directing the Christian education program of the mission church. The complete listing of such job possibilities can be secured from your denominational headquarters.

Medicine also offers a wonderful opportunity. To staff hospitals, clinics, schools there is need of doctors, surgeons, nurses, X-ray specialists, physical therapists, anesthetists, dieticians, and dentists. Jesus performed many miracles of healing during the course of His ministry. For His first sermon He chose as His text, which aptly described the totality of His ministry, Isaiah 61:1,2, in which is the phrase, "recovering of sight to the blind," (Luke 4:18). Jesus sought to minister to the whole man and medicine has its vital part to play in showing the love of God for human need.

Another wide area offering opportunities for service in Christ's name is the

technological field. In our time when so much of life is dependent on machines and the printed word people with such skills are desperately needed. Among the opportunities in this field mention can be made of agriculturalists, engineers of all types, radio technicians, printers, carpenters, mechanics, aviators and many others.

Conclusion

The world is on the march. No longer are the poorer people and nations content to put up with ignorance, disease, poverty, and primitive conditions. They have been made aware that life can be more comfortable, pleasant, satisfying, and purposeful than heretofore and are determined to share in that more abundant life.

The big question is: Who is going to help them satisfy their yearnings and solve their problems? Who is going to direct them in the right way to achieve their ends? The answer is important. If communism is to be the big brother, then past experience demonstrates that they will become the pawns of the imperialistic ambitions of Russia and China and find themselves worse off than before. If big business takes over, then the ends desired may be achieved but at the expense of creating a godless society wherein money alone counts and individuals are used to benefit the few.

Unless the Church assumes a more important role in the life of these aspiring people then their rush into the modern world will bring with it all the evils of a materialistic society. Since man does not live by bread alone but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God, the Church alone is in a position to minister to the spiritual needs of these people as well as their material ambitions and thereby help them to make the transition into the technological age without the tragedy of losing their souls in the process. God is still asking, "Whom shall I send; and who will go for us?" Do you feel Isaiah's urge, "Here am I; send me."?

Resources

FILMSTRIPS: *Latin America: Its People and Problems*; *Latin America: Missions at Work*.

Others can probably be secured by writing to your denomination's foreign and home mission boards.

FILMS: *Africa and Schweitzer*, 28 minutes. Rental \$10.00; *Indian American*, 40 minutes. Rental \$10.00. Cathedral Films, Burbank, Calif.; *Village of the*

Poor (color), 28 minutes. Rental \$12.00.

Again, your denomination's missionary departments can supply you with others

BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS:

Farrari, *It's Worth Your Life*, Friendship Press, 257 4th Ave., N.Y. 10. N.Y. Thomas, W. T., *Look at the Missionary*, Friendship Press, N. Y.

Answering the Call to the Mission of the Church, Department of Vocation, Presbyterian Church, U. S., 8 N. 6th St., Richmond 9, Va.

Consider Your Call to Home Mission Service.

Consider Your Call to Overseas Mission Service. Both of these can be obtained from the Department of Theological Education, American Baptist Convention, 152 Madison Avenue, N. Y. 16.

Shall I Be a Missionary? Department of Christian Vocation, Presbyterian Church, U. S. (address given above).

These suggestions can be supplemented by writing to the departments of home and foreign missions of your denomination or communion. These agencies will be able to supply you with abundant materials on the various opportunities to serve the Church on the mission field.

Daily Bible Readings

M. Aug. 12 The World Is God's Psalm 50:3-15
T. Aug. 13 The Field Is the World
Matthew 13:36-43
W. Aug. 14 Go Forth to Preach Mark 3:14-19
T. Aug. 15 Pray for Laborers Matthew 9:35-38
F. Aug. 16 To Save the World John 12:44-50
S. Aug. 17 Saviour of the World
I John 4:10-17
Sun. Aug. 18—Topic: "Here Am I, Send Me"
Isaiah 6:1-8

Comments by Dr. Samuel S. Haas, professor of Hebrew and Old Testament studies at Bloomfield College and Seminary, Bloomfield, New Jersey

Hymns listed in program outlines in THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD have been selected from the new CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SONGS. This book, with an attractive orange and black krome-kote cover, contains 138 songs and hymns and 20 responsive Scripture readings for youth meetings. Available from International Society of Christian Endeavor, 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 16, Ohio. Price: 60c each, \$6 per dozen, \$48 per hundred.

Topic 3 in a Unit: Church-Related Vocations

"So Send I You"

John 20:19-23

Suggested Program

Pre-Prayer Service

Musical Prelude

Call to Worship: Serve the Lord with gladness—for the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth to all generations.

Hymn: *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Scripture: John 20:19-23

Special Musical Number

Prayer

Announcements

Offertory

Hymn: *More Like the Master*

Topic Presentation

Signing and Dedication of *Lifework Recruit Cards*

Hymn: *Rise Up, O Men of God*

Benediction

Purpose

To explore the many opportunities offered in these days to devote one's talents and gifts to church-related vocations.

are engaged in church-related vocations. There could be a director of Christian education, a church secretary, a music director, a social worker, or any other person in the area engaged in some work that is church-related. Perhaps, three or four would be sufficient. Ask each to present a brief description of his or her job, the preparation necessary to qualify, the time required to do the job each day, and the rewards enjoyed. Ten minutes should be sufficient for each. Then, allow a questioning period.

If this is not possible, then have three or four of your group visit such people and interview them. On the basis of this interview let each describe the particular church-related vocation about which information has thus been secured.

The final suggestion is that you send away for the information using the *Resources* section and then give to three or four members of your group the pertinent material so that each can prepare a ten minute talk on that given area and be ready to answer whatever questions may later arise.

At the conclusion of the meeting be sure to distribute the *Lifework Recruit Cards* so that those who have been challenged by the meeting may indicate their decision. Gather up the signed ones and dedicate them with prayer. Your pastor may wish to have these to follow through on them. Certainly, the appropriate board of your denomination will be interested in them and so they could be sent there for appropriate action.

Follow-Up Activities

Those who are interested in church-related activities which can be performed in the home church or church school should speak to the pastor and volunteer their services as observers and part-time workers so work is of a nature which can be best carried on in a hospital or elsewhere, then these members should volunteer their services as observers and part-time workers so as to become better acquainted with the nature of the work.

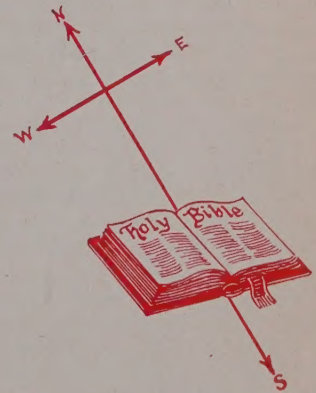
Introduction

All too many people are under the impression that when one speaks of church-related vocations that means an individual who has been set apart by

ordination or commissioning for specific church work. It can and does include such individuals but the concept is much broader than this and includes practically every type of work that is carried on in our complex society.

The church today is concerned and engaged in the total life of the individual and society seeking to infuse the spirit of Christ into all of life and life's business and social relationships. To achieve its mission requires skills and abilities developed by all kinds of training institutions, not by the seminaries alone. These skills and abilities combined with a Christ-centered life qualify one to serve in a church-related vocation which can enable the church to carry out more effectively its divinely appointed task of winning the world for Christ.

With this in mind let us consider some of the many opportunities open to young people to serve the cause of Christ's kingdom in ways that are in accord with one's interest and ability. Perhaps, the best way to do this is by means of broad categories such as Christian Education, Music, Teaching, Administration, Medicine, and Communications.



Christian Education Leaders

Such are needed in the local church, weekday church school, the denominational board of Christian education and interdenominational agencies. The task of such a worker is to recruit and train volunteer workers, be a program builder that will provide an opportunity to learn more about Christ and His ways for all age levels, or organize the vari-

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Publicity

Have the meeting announced in the church bulletin and ask your pastor to extend a personal invitation to all the young people of your age group to attend.

To arouse curiosity and create interest have the members of your group wear a paper tag on the Sunday before and the Sunday the meeting is held (if desired, during the week as well) on which has been drawn, or a picture pasted, of a typewriter, musical instrument, book, nurse, or other symbols representative of various jobs that can be used as a church-related vocation. If anyone asks what the tag represents, suggest that if this person really wants to find out, let him or her come to the meeting.

The local newspaper will be happy to publicize your meeting if one of your group will take the time to prepare the article with the necessary information as to time and place.

For the Leader

There are a number of ways by which you can present this subject: One way would be to use either the film or filmstrip suggested in the *Resources* section. To do this, be sure to order either a good month in advance. Before showing the film or filmstrip preview it. This will enable the leader to introduce it intelligently and alert the viewers as to what they should look for. It will also insure that all needed equipment is at hand and in working order making for a hitchless presentation at the meeting. Be sure to have questions ready to ask after the showing to insure a stimulating discussion.

Another way to present this subject would be to have a panel made up of people who

ous age groups to carry on their study, and administer the program so that it works smoothly and effectively. To qualify for this responsible field of endeavor requires four years of liberal arts college and then a master's degree in Christian education.

Directors of Music

In this field there is need for organists and choir directors. In most churches a combination of the two in one person is all that can be afforded. Such an individual would be responsible for the music used in the church and church school, the training of a choir to present the message of Christ through choral works, and the training of the congregation to appreciate the spiritual values of great music. The requirements of some churches for such a position beyond the ability to play an organ and piano, are four years of college and a master's degree in music. Some colleges are now offering a bachelor of arts degree with a major in sacred music, and this training is considered as acceptable to many churches as a start.

Teaching

In particular, this refers to the college level and includes administration. Teachers in the fields of Bible, religion, philosophy hold very strategic posts on college faculties. They are dealing with young people at an age when they are susceptible to Christian ideas and ideals. When such are presented with intellectual honesty and scholarly competence they will do much to give young people a foundation on which to build a Christ-centered life and enable them to bring these ideals to bear on whatever situation confronts them in the years ahead.

Not only in teaching but also in administration are devoted Christians needed. Many church-related colleges need presidents and vice-presidents of deep Christian convictions to foster and maintain a definitely Christian campus and curriculum as well as to create a Christian image to the public. Other administrative officers needed are deans of faculties, deans of men and women, and registrars. When this aspect of college life reflects a Christian commitment, then the campus will be a Christian community in which young people will be surrounded with every goodly influence.

There are no special courses or institutions to train Christian teachers and administrators as over against non-Chris-

Questions for Discussion

1. How can you use your career in the service of Christ?
2. If you are interested in a church-related vocation, how would you go about securing one?
3. What factors would you take into consideration to help you decide on using your abilities in a church-related job?

tian ones. The emphasis on Christian must be already present in such an individual through a personal experience of Jesus Christ which he then brings to bear on his training and professional work. To qualify for such a position, educationally speaking, one must have at least a master's degree. To be fully qualified a further degree, either a Ph.D. or S.T.D., is required.

Administration

This is a growing field. As churches, locally and nationally, increase and the business of running them becomes more complex the need increases for individuals with special abilities in this area. Mention can be made of accountants, office managers, personnel directors, public relations experts, treasurers, and secretaries. More and more larger churches are adding to their staff a man who is called a business-manager. It is his responsibility to do the bookkeeping, the purchasing, the paying of bills, oversight of repairs and equipment, and the day to day operating needs of the church's program. The national boards of the church and interdenominational agencies find such business trained individuals more and more indispensable. Surely the Christian enterprise in all of its ramifications needs the best qualified people to carry out its task efficiently and effectively and especially so since the funds are the sacrificial gifts of consecrated Christians.

Medicine

In this field the hospital is primarily concerned. Thus, doctors, nurses, dentists, psychiatrists, dieticians, and technicians of many types are involved. Never are people more receptive to the Gospel than when they are confined to a hospital. To sense the Christian dedication of those who minister to them while there will make a more deep and lasting impression than would be possible otherwise. If people always had a choice as to the hospital they would

go to, most would choose one run by a Christian organization because of the extra care and attention prompted by Christ-serving personnel.

Communications

This is a comparatively new field for the church but is providing more and more opportunities. This includes newspaper and magazine reporting, radio and television broadcasting, and free-lance writing. In a world where publicity is necessary to put a product across the church needs to inform people of its aims, activities, and accomplishments. This requires informed and dedicated men and women to put its message across. Again, through these media the Gospel can reach more people than would be possible through the local church. Jesus said, "Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled." (Luke 14:23). How better can the church accomplish this than through the various media of communications available?

Conclusion

Jesus is still alive. He is still carrying on the work He began while here on earth and on a much grander scale. How? Through you and me and all others who are His good and faithful servants. As Jesus said that night in the upper room, "Truly, truly I say to you, he who believes in Me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I go to the Father." (John 14:12, R.S.V.)

Whatever our work, through Christ's spirit dwelling in our hearts do we become His hands and feet, His voice and heart, and through our readiness to follow His leading does He send us to use our gifts and careers to bring His love and blessing to those who know Him not.

Resources

FILM: *Vocational Choice and Your Life's Work*. 30 minutes. Rental \$10.00.

FILMSTRIP: *Youth and Church Vocations*, Cathedral Films, Burbank, Calif.

Daily Bible Readings

M. Aug. 19	The Need Is Urgent	John 4:35-38
T. Aug. 20	God Sent His Son	Romans 8:1-5
W. Aug. 21	God Sends Others	Genesis 45:1-8
T. Aug. 22	Sent to the Lost Sheep	Matthew 15:21-28
F. Aug. 23	Come Help Us	Acts 11:1-10
S. Aug. 24	Go in Christ's Name	Matthew 10:5-15
Sun. Aug. 25—Topic:	"So Send I You"	John 20:19-23

Comments by Dr. Samuel S. Haas, professor of Hebrew and Old Testament studies at Bloomfield College and Seminary, Bloomfield, New Jersey

Topics and Helps

FOR YOUNG ADULTS AND ADULTS

Summaries for August

Missionary Personalities (four topics)

Brother's Keeper

Isaiah 4:9-12, Matthew 25:31-46

A man refuses to realize his ability toward his brother, but learns the lesson before him. He escapes facing the consequences. The last lessons some Christians have responsibility for others. However, a firm conviction that each man is another's keeper has led some great things to be done: Robert Raikes and the Sunday school movement in England, Francis E. Clark launched the Christian Endeavor program in Maine, Albert Schweitzer took medical aid to Africa, Billy Graham preaches the Gospel to masses around the world. Select a missionary supported by your church and conduct a character study of his life and personality. Determine how you can share the admirable traits of his life and serve your own lives.

Paul for Christ

Philippians 3:1-15; 1 Timothy 1:12-17
Paul was called and saved by grace for a purpose. Here was a man in the ardor of youth—equipped by long training for his task, impelled by convictions

deep enough to cause impassioned haste, moving forward toward Damascus at high noon beneath the fierce heat of the Syrian sun to reach his goal. Then suddenly he did a right-about-face just as he was in sight of fulfilling his purpose. He was saved to serve in a very great capacity. One of the greatest missionary personalities we can consider is this man who gave his all for Christ. Assign these subjects for discussion: Zeal Is a Virtue Only when It Is Directed in Worthy Channels; Acceptance of Christ Alters the Man, the Goal, the Destination; Our Abilities Rise to Their Fullest Height when Consecrated to the Living Christ.

3. The Field Is the World

Matthew 28:16-20; Acts 1:6-8

The greatest argument for missionary work is that Christ commanded it. It meets the great needs of the world—physical, mental, spiritual. Sponsor a missions fair to dramatize these needs and ways in which missionaries are helping to fulfill them. Appoint committees to secure from missionaries supported by the local church letters, publications, and curios from the mission fields; some members may impersonate the missionaries. Set up display booths in the fellowship hall; appoint hostesses to simulate costumes worn by women in the

countries that are represented; serve refreshments: tea for the Orient, pineapple chunks for Hawaii, pastries for Europe, and the like. Let the evening's fellowship be the program. Close with an offering for missionaries and a prayer circle.

4. "Stars Forever and Ever"

Daniel 12:3; Hebrews 11:1-40

The history of the world is essentially the biographies of a few great people. The overwhelming majority simply fill in, leaving to a few outstanding spokesmen the responsibility of leadership. The first thinker to realize this significant fact was the Greek author Plutarch, whose lives of the Greek and Roman heroes of antiquity have served as models for this view of history. The eleventh chapter of the book of Hebrews contains a listing of great men in Biblical history. Plan an informal meeting in which each person present names the missionary of the past or present whom he admires most and tells why. "Hall of Heroes" in *Christ and the Fine Arts*, Maus, will provide resource material. Conclude with a devotional talk on "Lives of Great Men."

The Adult Work Committee which prepared these summaries included Dr. Earle W. Gates, chairman; Phyllis G. Brown, Joan Pyle, and Jay Sheffield.

July and August Dates

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- Oregon Leadership Training Conference, Twin Falls
- Contact: Miss Dorothy E. Howes, 303 Davis Building, Portland 4
- Virginia Convention, Bridgewater
- Contact: Miss Geraldine E. Ludwick, 2501 Weaver Road, S.W., Roanoke
- New Jersey Conference, Drew University
- Contact: Rev. Alexander C. Wilson, 80 Barnwell Drive, Levittown
- California Convention, Redlands
- Contact: Rev. Robert Hess, 301 Chapman Building, 756 South Broadway, Los Angeles 14
- Alabama Conference and Camp, Oak Mountain Park
- Contact: Miss Violet Keith, 404 Nevada Street, Wylam, Birmingham 14
- Ontario Summer Conference, Chesley Lake Camp
- Contact: Mr. Douglas Wrightson, R.R. #2, Tiverton
- New York Junior-Junior High Summer Assembly, Pocono Plateau, Pennsylvania
- Contact: Mr. Marvin C. Sloane, 532 Helendale Road, Rochester 9
- New Jersey Junior High Conference, Pipersville, Pennsylvania
- Contact: Rev. Alexander C. Wilson, 80 Barnwell Drive, Levittown
- September 2—Ohio Conference, Hidden Hollow Camp
- Contact: Mr. Cecil A. Jeffery, 1023 Bernhard Road, Columbus 27

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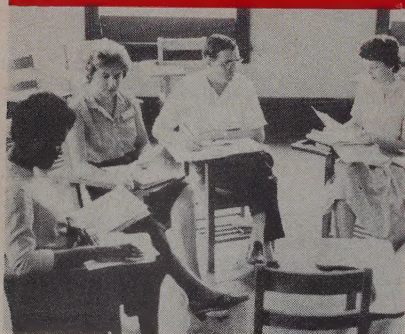


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